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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before beginning examination of the above-identified application on its merits, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 13-22, 24-33, 35-42, 44-55, 57-65, 71-77 and 79-86 without prejudice to future prosecution.

REMARKS

This is a preliminary amendment in which the Applicants have cancelled claims 13-22, 24-33, 35-42, 44-55, 57-65, 71-77 and 79-86 without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the cancelled claims in one or more future applications. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-12, 23, 34, 43, 56, 66, 67, 69, 70 and 78 are currently pending. A check in the amount of \$749.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the currently pending claims (i.e., 11 independent claims and 21 total claims) and the late filing fee.

A favorable first office action is respectfully requested.

If, for any reason, the Examiner is of the opinion that a telephone conversation would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers below.

Please charge any fee or any fee deficiency occasioned by this amendment to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

Respectfully submitted,

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